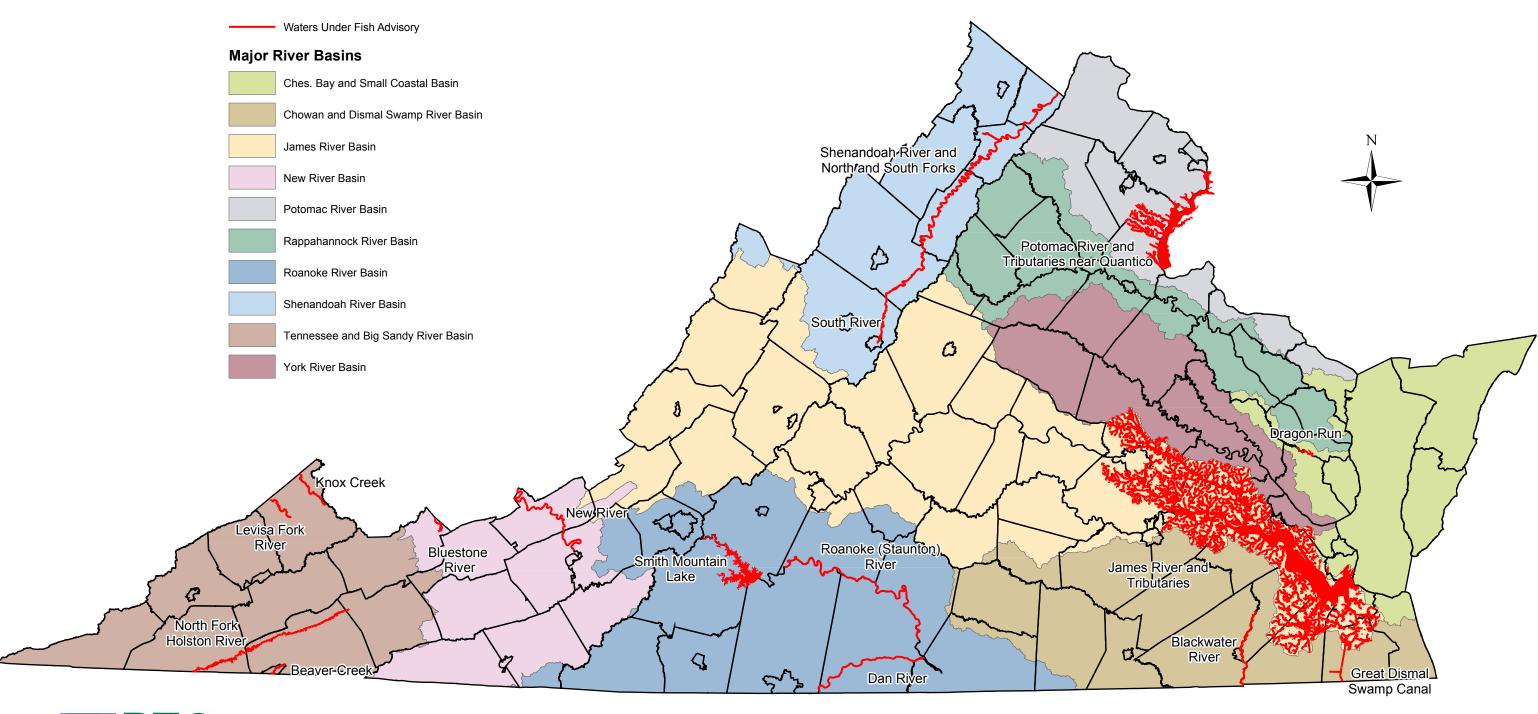
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River and Affected Boundaries	Contaminant	Consumption Advisory/Restriction
<b>James River</b> and its tributaries from the fall line at Richmond to the Hampton-Norfolk Bridge Tunnel	Kepone	Kepone may be hazardous to your health. A fish-eating advisory exists for those who consume fish from these waters on a daily basis. (7/1/88) Note: A PCB advisory is also in effect for this section of the James River. See below.
North Fork Holston River from Saltville to the Virginia/Tennessee state line	Mercury	Taking fish from these waters for human consumption is prohibited. Fish may contain dangerously high levels of mercury. Catch and release of these fish is permissible. (12/4/74)
<b>South River</b> from the footbridge at E. I. Dupont Co. in Waynesboro to the confluence with the North River at Port Republic.	Mercury	Fish caught in these waters may contain mercury. Mercury may be hazardous to your health. No fish other than trout should be eaten from these waters. Stocked trout have been tested and are safe for consumption. (3/29/01)
South Fork Shenandoah River from Port Republic to the confluence with North Fork Shenandoah River, North Fork Shenandoah River from mouth of river upstream to Riverton Dam, Shenandoah River from confluence of North Fork and South Fork to Warren Power Dam just north of Front Royal.	Mercury	Consumption of fish which contain mercury may be hazardous to your health. Eat no more than two meals (1/2 lb each) of fish per month from these waters. Women who are pregnant or may become pregnant, nursing mothers, and young children should not eat any fish from these waters. (6/7/77; modified 3/29/01) NOTE: At this time, an advisory for Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) is also in effect for these rivers. The PCB advisory is more restrictive and allows for no fish to be consumed from these waters. See PCBs box below for details.
Dragon Run Swamp/Piankatank River (Counties of Middlesex, King and Queen, and Gloucester) from State Route 603 near Mascot downstream (~19 miles) to Deep Point Boat Landing (State Route 606) on the Piankatank River, across from Piankatank Shores	Mercury	Largemouth bass caught in these waters may contain mercury. Eat no more than two eight-ounce meals per month of largemouth bass taken from the advisory area. Women who are pregnant or may become pregnant, nursing mothers, and young children should not eat any fish contaminated with mercury from these waters. (10/29/03)
Blackwater River (Counties of Southampton and Isle of Wight and Cities of Franklin and Suffolk) from State Route 460 in Zuni downstream (~40 miles) to the Virginia-North Carolina state line	Mercury	Largemouth bass and redear sunfish caught in these waters may contain mercury. Eat no more than two eight-ounce meals per month of any largemouth bass or redear sunfish taken from the advisory area. Women who are pregnant or may become pregnant, nursing mothers, and young children should not eat any fish contaminated with mercury from these waters. (10/29/03)
Great Dismal Swamp Canal (Chesapeake) from Deep Creek Locks south to the Virginia-North Carolina state line including the feeder ditch to Lake Drummond	Mercury	Bowfin and chain pickerel caught in these waters may contain mercury. Eat no more than two eight-ounce meals per month of bowfin or chain pickerel taken from the advisory area. Fishing in this area is primarily for consumption. It is advisable that people limit consumption of all species from these waters until additional data are collected. Women who are pregnant or may become pregnant, nursing mothers, and young children should not eat any fish contaminated with mercury from these waters. (10/29/03)
South Fork Shenandoah River downstream from the State Route 619 bridge near Front Royal, North Fork Shenandoah River downstream from Passage Creek, Shenandoah River from the confluence of North and South Forks to West Virginia state line.	Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs)	Fish caught in these waters should not be consumed. (5/17/89)
Roanoke River (Staunton River) from the Leesville Dam downstream (~79 miles) to the point where a pipeline, which intersects Route 803 in Halifax County and Route 633 in Charlotte County, crosses the river.	PCBs	Striped bass, white bass, smallmouth bass, channel catfish, flathead catfish, and carp taken from these waters may contain PCBs. The public is advised to eat no more than two, eightounce meals of these fish per month. Pregnant women and young children are advised not to eat any of these fish. (7/24/98; modified 3/26/99; 12/2/99)

Roanoke River/Smith Mountain Lake (Counties of Roanoke, Franklin, and Bedford) from the Niagara Dam downstream (~9.5 miles) to channel marker R78 on Smith Mountain Lake (~2 miles down the lake from Hardy Ford Bridge on County Route 634	PCBs	Flathead catfish caught in these waters may contain PCBs. Eat no more than one eight-ounce meal per month of flathead catfish from the advisory area. These fish can travel far distances. It is also advisable that people limit consumption of flathead catfish caught from the entire lake including upstream to the County Route 634 Bridge on the Blackwater River arm of the lake until additional data are collected. Women who are pregnant or may become pregnant, nursing mothers, and young children should not eat any fish contaminated with PCBs from these waters. (10/20/03)
Potomac River and tributaries near Quantico. Virginia tidal waters from the Woodrow Wilson Bridge downstream (~33 miles) to Brent Point at the mouth of Aquia Creek, particularly in the areas of Chopawamsic, Quantico, and Powell Creeks and Quantico Embayment.	PCBs	Channel catfish larger than 18 inches taken from these waters may contain PCBs. Eat no more than one, eight-ounce meal per month. (4/19/99)
Levisa Fork River downstream from Grundy to the southwest Virginia/Kentucky border (~12 miles)	PCBs	Fish taken from these waters may contain PCBs. Eat no fish of any kind taken from this section of the river. (7/30/99; modified 5/15/03)
Dan River in southwestern Halifax County where the river crosses the Virginia/North Carolina border north of Virginia Route 62 downstream (~42miles) to the Kerr Reservoir at Staunton River State Park	PCBs	Flathead and channel catfish taken from these waters may contain PCBs. VDH advises the public to eat no more than two eight-ounce meals per month. Pregnant women and young children are advised not to eat any of these fish. (12/27/99)
New River at the Route 114 bridge crossing (Peppers Ferry Blvd.) just north of Radford downstream to the Virginia/West Virginia state line near Glen Lyn	PCBs	Carp caught in these waters should not be consumed. (8/6/01)
Bluestone River at the Route 460 bridge crossing south of Bluefield downstream to the Virginia/West Virginia state line near the town of Yards in Tazewell County	PCBs	Carp caught in these waters should not be consumed. (8/6/01)
James River at the Interstate 95 James River Bridge crossing in Richmond downstream (~110 miles) to the Hampton-Norfolk Bridge Tunnel (mouth of the James)	PCBs	Blue catfish and carp caught in these waters may contain PCBs. VDH recommends people do not eat any blue catfish, and no more than two eight-ounce meals per month of carp from the advisory area. Women who are pregnant or may become pregnant, nursing mothers, and young children should not eat blue catfish or carp from these waters. (7/1/02; modified 6/15/04) Note: A Kepone advisory is also in effect for this section of the James River. See above.
Knox Creek in Buchanan County from the Virginia/Kentucky state line upstream (~17miles) to its headwaters near the Virginia/West Virginia state line	PCBs	Fish taken from these waters may contain PCBs. VDH recommends people do not eat any smallmouth bass or suckers, and eat no more than two meals per month of any other fish species taken from the advisory area. Women who are pregnant or may become pregnant, nursing mothers, and young children should not eat any fish taken from these waters. (5/15/03; modified 6/15/04)
Beaver Creek in Washington County from the Beaver Creek Lake Dam downstream to the Virginia/Tennessee state line within the City of Bristol	PCBs	Fish taken from these waters may contain PCBs. Eat no more than one meal per month of any fish taken from the advisory area. Women who are pregnant or may become pregnant, nursing mothers, and young children should not eat any fish taken from these waters. (5/15/03)
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